

William Henry Murdock Barn

This man, Willilam Henry Murdock, was the son of Joseph Stacy Murdock and Jane Sharp Murdock. Joseph was the first Presiding Bishop of the LDS Church in this County. William's home was at 215 E 300 N in Heber City and he owned a quarter block thereabouts. This solid, red pine, adz-squared log barn has stood back in the lot at 245 E 300 N for an estimated 100 years. Now, it is behind Mayor Scott W Wright's new home. Please note the snuggly fitted, wedged, mortised joints on the corners...indicating a very skilled barn craftsman's work...solid, even after these many years. The basic building, up to the square, remains, even though the original roof-line is missing. It has served at least 4 genterations.

Ownership has passed from: William Henry Murdock and wife Melissa Orletta Baum Murdock, to Isaac Stacy Murdock and wife Bessie Gertrude Sexton Murdock, to Della Maria Murdock and her sister Ruby Murdock Gott, then to John Melvin Moulton and wife Barbara McDonald Moulton.

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